



Media Advisory

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State Seeking Training Providers for \$2 Million Major Moves Minority Training Program

INDIANAPOLIS (June 27, 2006) – On July 6, the Indiana Department of Workforce Development will hold two pre-request for proposals (RFP) conferences for training providers and partner organizations interested in participating in the agency's Major Opportunities program.

The Major Opportunities program is part of Governor Mitch Daniels Major Moves initiative that was approved by the Indiana General Assembly in March. The training program will spend up to \$2 million in state funds each year for the next six years to fund pre-apprenticeship programs for minorities in the building and construction industries. The request for proposals (RFP) for the Major Opportunities minority training program will be issued by the Indiana Department of Administration on July 10.

The conferences will be held:

Indianapolis
Indiana Government Center South
Conference Center – Room 19
8:30 – 10:30 a.m. EDT

Gary
Genesis Convention Center
One Genesis Center Plaza
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. CDT

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development is charged with continually improving the Hoosier workforce by assisting companies to create new jobs and improve worker skills. The agency offers a variety of training and educational grants, partners with Indiana's 26 WorkOne Centers, administers the unemployment insurance system, provides labor market information, assists employers with preparing workers for layoffs and closures and operates a statewide job placement service.